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MEMORANDUM FOR: Designated Recipients

SUBJECT: Preliminary draft of proposed merger NSCID

1. The attached draft NSCID provides for a single merged USIB in accordance with the President's approved recommendation for the merger of the IAC and USCIB. It has been incorporated into a revision of the recently approved NSCID 1. The intent has been to keep unchanged all substantive provisions of NSCID 1, but to re-arrange the framework and alter certain "lead-in" language in keeping with the spirit of the new Board's responsibilities and relationships. In addition to a revision of NSCID 1 it will, of course, be necessary to remove from the revised NSCID 9 those provisions which relate to the establishment of USCIB, and to make certain other changes. Minor alterations will also be required in other NSCIDs, but these are not expected to raise particular problems.

2. The present draft should be held strictly within the Agency. Your comments and suggestions will be most helpful and should be communicated to the Office of the DD/C, Room 323 Admin Bldg.,

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL INTELLIGENCE DIRECTIVE NO. 1*

BASIC DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

For the purpose of coordinating the intelligence activities of the several Government departments and agencies in the interest of national security and pursuant to the provisions of Section 102 of the National Security Act of 1947, as amended, the National Security Council hereby authorizes and directs that:

1. Over-all Coordination.

The Director of Central Intelligence shall coordinate the foreign intelligence effort of the United States, in accordance with principles established by statute and pertinent National Security Council directives.

2. The United States Intelligence Board (USIB).

a. To maintain the relationship necessary to a fully coordinated intelligence community, ** a U. S. Intelligence Board (USIB) is established to (1) assist and advise the Director of Central Intelligence in discharging his responsibilities for the coordination of all operations concerned with special or other forms of intelligence which, together, constitute the foreign intelligence effort of the United States and for policy

*This directive supersedes NSCID No. 1, revised 4/1/58.

**The intelligence community includes the Central Intelligence Agency; the intelligence components of the Departments of State, Defense, Army, Navy and Air Force, and of the Joint Staff (JCS); the Federal Bureau of Investigation; the Atomic Energy Commission, and the National Security Agency. Other components of the departments and agencies of the Government are included to the extent of their agreed participation in regularly-established interdepartmental intelligence activities.

recommendations to the National Security Council, and (2) to achieve effective centralized direction and increased integration of the over-all foreign intelligence effort of the United States.

The U. S. Intelligence Board shall consist of the Director of Central Intelligence, who shall be chairman thereof; the Director of Intelligence and Research of the Department of State; the Assistant to the Secretary of Defense for Special Operations;

the Director of the National Security Agency; the intelligence chiefs of the Departments of Army, Navy, and Air Force, and of the Joint Staff (JCS); and representatives of the Atomic Energy Commission and of the Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation.

The Director of Central Intelligence shall invite the chief of any other department or agency having functions related to the national security to sit with the U. S. Intelligence Board whenever matters within the purview of his agency are to be discussed.

b. The U. S. Intelligence Board's policy, coordinating and supervisory responsibilities related to direction and integration of the foreign intelligence effort of the U. S. shall include, subject to pertinent National Security Council directives:

(1) Policy matters relating to intelligence activities, including all categories of intelligence production, collection and support.

(2) Supervision and review of the national intelligence effort, including communications intelligence activities and all other special intelligence activities.

(3) Arrangements with foreign governments in the field of intelligence activities.

(4) Security standards and practices as they relate to intelligence production and other intelligence activities.

(5) Recommendations to appropriate U. S. officials responsible for intelligence activities, including particularly recommendations to the Secretary of Defense on intelligence matters within the jurisdiction of the Director of the National Security Agency.

(6) The production of interdepartmental intelligence relating to the national security. In this area members of the intelligence community will participate in accordance with their respective capabilities for the collection, evaluation or production of intelligence, or as such intelligence may be of special concern to their respective departments and agencies.

c. U. S. Intelligence Board actions shall normally be by general agreement. Approved actions or recommendations

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will, as appropriate, be transmitted by the Director of Central Intelligence to the departments or agencies concerned, or to the National Security Council when higher approval is required. Whenever opinion is divided upon matters which the Director of Central Intelligence considers to require action, he shall transmit to the recipient a statement indicating the view of any non-concurring member of the U. S. Intelligence Board.

d. In carrying out the duty of the Central Intelligence Agency to advise and make recommendations to the National Security Council in matters concerning such intelligence activities of the departments and agencies of the Government as relate to the national security, the Director of Central Intelligence shall transmit therewith a statement indicating the concurrence or non-concurring views of the members of the U. S. Intelligence Board. Recommendations transmitted by the Director of Central Intelligence shall, when approved by the National Security Council, be issued as National Security Council Intelligence Directives or as other appropriate Council directives and, as applicable, shall be promulgated and implemented by the departments and agencies of the Government.

3. The Director of Central Intelligence.

a. The Director of Central Intelligence shall act for the National Security Council to provide for detailed implementation of National Security Council Intelligence Directives by issuing such supplementary Director of Central Intelligence Directives as may be required. Such implementing directives in which the U. S. Intelligence Board concurs unanimously shall be issued by the Director of Central Intelligence, and, as applicable, shall be promulgated and implemented through the normal command channels of the departments and agencies concerned. Where disagreement arises between the Director of Central Intelligence and one or more members of the U. S. Intelligence Board over such directives the proposed directive, together with statements of non-concurring views, shall be forwarded to the National Security Council for resolution.

b. Director of Central Intelligence Directives to be issued in accordance with the provisions of subparagraph b above shall include:

(1) Provision of general guidance and specific priorities for the production of national and other intelligence and for collection and other activities in support thereof, including: (a) establishment of comprehensive National Intelligence Objectives generally

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applicable to foreign countries and areas; (b) identification from time to time, and on a current basis, of Priority National Intelligence Objectives with reference to specific countries and subjects; and (c) issuance of such comprehensive and priority objectives, for general intelligence guidance, and their formal transmission to the National Security Council.

(2) Establishment of policy, procedures and practices for the maintenance, by the individual components of the intelligence community, of a continuing interchange of intelligence, intelligence information, and other information with utility for intelligence purposes.

(3) Establishment of policy, procedures and practices for the production or procurement, by the individual components of the intelligence community within the limits of their capabilities, of such intelligence, intelligence information and other information with utility for intelligence purposes relating to the national security, as may be requested by one of the departments or agencies.

4. National Intelligence.

a. National intelligence is that intelligence which is required for the formulation of national security policy,

and which concerns more than one department or agency, or transcends the exclusive competence of a single department or agency. The Director of Central Intelligence shall produce* national intelligence with the support of the intelligence community and the advice and assistance of the U. S. Intelligence Board. Intelligence so produced shall have the concurrence of the members of the U. S. Intelligence Board with related intelligence production capabilities and/or with special departmental or agency concerns related thereto; or shall carry a statement of any substantially differing opinion of such a member.

b. The Director of Central Intelligence shall disseminate national intelligence to the President, members of the National Security Council, members of the U. S. Intelligence Board and, subject to existing statutes, such other components of the Government as the National Security Council may from time to time designate or the U. S. Intelligence Board may recommend. He is further authorized to disseminate national intelligence and interdepartmental intelligence produced within the U. S. Intelligence Board structure on a strictly controlled basis to foreign governments and international bodies upon his determination with the concurrence of the U. S. Intelligence Board,

*By "produce" is meant "to correlate and evaluate intelligence relating to the national security" as provided in the National Security Act of 1947, as amended, Section 102 (d)(3).

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that such action would substantially promote the security of the United States: Provided, That such dissemination is consistent with existing statutes and Presidential policy including that reflected in international agreements; and provided further that any disclosure of FBI intelligence information shall be cleared with that agency prior to dissemination.

c. Departmental intelligence is that intelligence which any department or agency requires to execute its own mission. Departmental intelligence may be disseminated in accordance with existing statutes and Presidential policy including that reflected in international agreements.

d. Whenever any member of the U. S. Intelligence Board obtains information which indicates an impending crisis situation, such as any outbreak of hostilities or other condition which affects the security of the United States to such an extent that immediate action or decision by the President or the National Security Council may be required, he shall immediately transmit the information to the Director of Central Intelligence and the other members of the U. S. Intelligence Board as well as to other officials or agencies as may be indicated by the circumstances. The Director of Central Intelligence shall, in consultation with the U. S.

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Intelligence Board, immediately prepare and disseminate as appropriate the national intelligence estimate of the situation, in accordance with the procedures outlined above.

5. Community Responsibilities.

a. The Director of Central Intelligence in consultation with and actively supported by the other members of the U. S. Intelligence Board and other appropriate offices, shall:

- (1) Call upon the other departments and agencies as appropriate to ensure that on intelligence matters affecting the national security the intelligence community is supported by the full knowledge and technical talent available in the Government;
- (2) Ensure that the pertinence, extent and quality of the available foreign intelligence and intelligence information relating to the national security is continually reviewed as a basis for improving the quality of intelligence and the correction of deficiencies;
- (3) Take appropriate measures to facilitate the coordinated development of compatible referencing systems within the departments and agencies engaged in intelligence activities. Central reference facilities as a service of common concern shall be provided by

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the Central Intelligence Agency and/or other departments and agencies, as appropriate;

(4) Ensure the development of policies, procedures, and practices for the protection of intelligence sources and methods from unauthorized disclosure. Each department and agency shall be responsible for the protection of intelligence sources and methods within its own organization. The Director of Central Intelligence shall call upon the departments and agencies, as appropriate, to investigate within their department or agency any unauthorized disclosure of intelligence sources or methods;

(5) Make such surveys of departmental intelligence activities of the various departments and agencies as the Director of Central Intelligence may deem necessary in connection with his duty to advise the National Security Council and to coordinate the intelligence effort of the United States; and

(6) Make arrangements with the departments and agencies for the assignment to the Central Intelligence Agency of such experienced and qualified personnel as may be of advantage for advisory, operational, or other purposes. In order to facilitate the performance of their respective intelligence missions, the departments and

agencies concerned shall, by agreement, provide each other with such mutual assistance as may be within their capabilities and as may be required in the interests of the intelligence community for reasons of economy, efficiency, or operational necessity. Primary departmental interests shall be recognized and shall receive the cooperation and support of the Central Intelligence Agency.

b. Insofar as practicable, in the fulfillment of their respective responsibilities for the production of intelligence, the several departments and agencies shall not duplicate the intelligence activities and research of other departments and agencies and shall make full use of existing capabilities of the other members of the intelligence community.

c. The departments and agencies of the Government shall establish appropriate policies and procedures to control and limit undesirable publicity relating to intelligence activities. Each shall also establish appropriate policies and procedures to prevent the unauthorized disclosure from within that agency of intelligence information or activity.